

(A) APPLICABLE AGENCY.—The term “applicable agency”, with respect to an eligible entity that is—

(i) a State, means—
(I) a law enforcement agency of the State; and

(II) a law enforcement agency of a unit of local government within the State that—

(aa) is a priority agency; and
(bb) receives a subgrant from the State under this section; and
(ii) a unit of local government, means a law enforcement agency of the unit of local government that is a priority agency.

(B) COVERED AGENCY.—The term “covered agency” means—

(i) a State law enforcement agency; and
(ii) a priority agency.

(C) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term “eligible entity” means—

(i) a State; or
(ii) a unit of local government that has a priority agency.

(2) GRANTS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Attorney General may make grants to eligible entities to assist covered agencies within the jurisdiction of the eligible entity in conducting law enforcement activities or crime reduction programs to prevent, address, or otherwise respond to hate crime, particularly as those activities or programs relate to reporting hate crimes through the Uniform Crime Reports program, including—

(i) adopting a policy on identifying, investigating, and reporting hate crimes;

(ii) developing a standardized system of collecting, analyzing, and reporting the incidence of hate crime;

(iii) establishing a unit specialized in identifying, investigating, and reporting hate crimes;

(iv) engaging in community relations functions related to hate crime prevention and education such as—

(I) establishing a liaison with formal community-based organizations or leaders; and

(II) conducting public meetings or educational forums on the impact of hate crimes, services available to hate crime victims, and the relevant Federal, State, and local laws pertaining to hate crimes; and

(v) providing hate crime trainings for agency personnel.

(B) SUBGRANTS.—A State that receives a grant under subparagraph (A) may award a subgrant to a priority agency of a unit of local government within the State for the purposes under that subparagraph.

(3) INFORMATION REQUIRED OF STATES AND UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—For each fiscal year in which an eligible entity receives a grant under paragraph (2), the eligible entity shall—

(i) collect information from each applicable agency summarizing the law enforcement activities or crime reduction programs conducted by the agency to prevent, address, or otherwise respond to hate crime, particularly as those activities or programs relate to reporting hate crimes through the Uniform Crime Reports program; and

(ii) submit to the Attorney General a report containing the information collected under clause (i).

(B) SEMIANNUAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY REPORT.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—In collecting the information required under subparagraph (A)(i), an eligible entity shall require each applicable agency to submit a semiannual report to the eligible entity that includes a summary of the law enforcement activities or crime reduction programs conducted by the agency during the reporting period to prevent, address, or otherwise respond to hate crime, particularly as those activities or programs

relate to reporting hate crimes through the Uniform Crime Reports program.

(ii) CONTENTS.—In a report submitted under clause (i), a law enforcement agency shall, at a minimum, disclose—

(I) whether the agency has adopted a policy on identifying, investigating, and reporting hate crimes;

(II) whether the agency has developed a standardized system of collecting, analyzing, and reporting the incidence of hate crime;

(III) whether the agency has established a unit specialized in identifying, investigating, and reporting hate crimes;

(IV) whether the agency engages in community relations functions related to hate crime, such as—

(aa) establishing a liaison with formal community-based organizations or leaders; and

(bb) conducting public meetings or educational forums on the impact of hate crime, services available to hate crime victims, and the relevant Federal, State, and local laws pertaining to hate crime; and

(V) the number of hate crime trainings for agency personnel, including the duration of the trainings, conducted by the agency during the reporting period.

(4) COMPLIANCE AND REDIRECTION OF FUNDS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subparagraph (B), beginning not later than 1 year after the date of this Act, an eligible entity receiving a grant under paragraph (2) shall comply with paragraph (3).

(B) EXTENSIONS; WAIVER.—The Attorney General—

(i) may provide a 120-day extension to an eligible entity that is making good faith efforts to collect the information required under paragraph (3); and

(ii) shall waive the requirements of paragraph (3) for a State or unit of local government if compliance with that subsection by the State or unit of local government would be unconstitutional under the constitution of the State or of the State in which the unit of local government is located, respectively.

(g) REQUIREMENTS OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.—

(1) INFORMATION COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS; REPORT.—In order to improve the accuracy of data regarding the incidence of hate crime provided through the Uniform Crime Reports program, and promote a more complete understanding of the national problem posed by hate crime, the Attorney General shall—

(A) collect and analyze the information provided by States and units of local government under subsection (f) for the purpose of developing policies related to the provision of accurate data obtained under the Hate Crime Statistics Act (Public Law 101-275; 28 U.S.C. 534 note) by the Federal Bureau of Investigation; and

(B) for each calendar year beginning after the date of enactment of this Act, publish and submit to Congress a report based on the information collected and analyzed under subparagraph (A).

(2) CONTENTS OF REPORT.—A report submitted under paragraph (1) shall include—

(A) a qualitative analysis of the relationship between—

(i) the number of hate crimes reported by State law enforcement agencies or priority agencies through the Uniform Crime Reports program; and

(ii) the nature and extent of law enforcement activities or crime reduction programs conducted by those agencies to prevent, address, or otherwise respond to hate crime; and

(B) a quantitative analysis of the number of State law enforcement agencies and priority agencies that have—

(i) adopted a policy on identifying, investigating, and reporting hate crimes;

(ii) developed a standardized system of collecting, analyzing, and reporting the incidence of hate crime;

(iii) established a unit specialized in identifying, investigating, and reporting hate crimes;

(iv) engaged in community relations functions related to hate crime, such as—

(I) establishing a liaison with formal community-based organizations or leaders; and

(II) conducting public meetings or educational forums on the impact of hate crime, services available to hate crime victims, and the relevant Federal, State, and local laws pertaining to hate crime; and

(v) conducted hate crime trainings for agency personnel during the reporting period, including—

(I) the total number of trainings conducted by each agency; and

(II) the duration of the trainings described in subclause (I).

(h) ALTERNATIVE SENTENCING.—Section 249 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(e) SUPERVISED RELEASE.—If a court includes, as a part of a sentence of imprisonment imposed for a violation of subsection (a), a requirement that the defendant be placed on a term of supervised release after imprisonment under section 3583, the court may order, as an explicit condition of supervised release, that the defendant undertake educational classes or community service directly related to the community harmed by the defendant’s offense.”.

SA 1433. Mr. TUBERVILLE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 937, to facilitate the expedited review of COVID-19 hate crimes, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 3, line 16, strike “and” and insert the following:

(2) include information relating to the race, ethnicity, immigration status, and political affiliation of the alleged perpetrator of a hate crime or incident in the online reporting described in paragraph (1); and

SA 1434. Mr. TUBERVILLE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 937, to facilitate the expedited review of COVID-19 hate crimes, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 4, line 2, insert the following:

“Any guidance issued under this subsection shall not preclude an educator, government official, or any other individual in a position of authority from describing the COVID-19 pandemic as having originated in and subsequently spread from China.”.

SA 1435. Mr. TUBERVILLE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 937, to facilitate the expedited review of COVID-19 hate crimes, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 3, line 14, after “incidents,” insert the following: “including establishing criminal penalties for any online reporting of a hate crime that is fraudulent, illegitimate, or retaliatory in nature.”.

SA 1436. Mr. TUBERVILLE submitted an amendment intended to be

proposed by him to the bill S. 937, to facilitate the expedited review of COVID-19 hate crimes, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end, add the following:

SEC. 4. COVID-19 HATE CRIME STUDY.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than the earlier of 1 year after the date on enactment of this Act or 180 days after the date on which the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention determines that COVID-19 mitigation measures are no longer necessary, the Attorney General, in coordination with the Secretary of Health and Human Services, shall conduct a study on whether there is a correlation between—

(1) the frequency of COVID-19 hate crimes; and

(2) the existence of more restrictive COVID-19 mitigation measures.

(b) **POPULATION ADJUSTMENT.**—In conducting the study required under subsection (a), the Attorney General shall adjust data based on the population of a particular area, as appropriate.

SA 1437. Mr. KENNEDY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 937, to facilitate the expedited review of COVID-19 hate crimes, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. 4. PROHIBITING DISCRIMINATION IN ADMISSION TO POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTIONS.

Section 601 of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d) is amended—

(1) by inserting “(a)” before “No person”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

“(b) **ADMISSION TO POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTIONS.**—It shall be unlawful for an employee of a postsecondary institution referred to in section 606(2)(A) and receiving Federal financial assistance, to use, or refer an applicant to, an informal or formal quota system based on race, ethnicity, color, or national origin, during any step of the admissions process, to determine whether the applicant involved shall be admitted to the institution.”.

SA 1438. Mr. MARSHALL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 937, to facilitate the expedited review of COVID-19 hate crimes, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ . REQUIREMENT TO INVESTIGATE INCIDENCE OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST ASIAN AMERICAN HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE APPLICANTS.

Not later than 1 day after the date of enactment of this Act, the Attorney General shall designate an officer or employee of the Department of Justice whose sole responsibility shall be to investigate selective high schools and institutions of higher education in the United States accused of discriminating against Asian American applicants.

SA 1439. Mr. MARSHALL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 937, to facilitate the expedited review of COVID-19 hate crimes, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ . REQUIREMENT TO DISSEMINATE SECOND AMENDMENT INFORMATION TO THE ASIAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY.

Not later than 1 day after the date of enactment of this Act, the Attorney General shall designate an officer or employee of the Department of Justice whose sole responsibility shall be to disseminate information to Asian Americans in the United States regarding—

(1) rights provided under the Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States; and

(2) legal protections for individuals who defend themselves against acts of violence.

SA 1440. Mr. PAUL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 937, to facilitate the expedited review of COVID-19 hate crimes, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. REPORT ON DISCRIMINATION BY RECIPIENTS OF COVID-19 RELIEF BENEFITS BASED ON ACTUAL OR PERCEIVED COVID-19 STATUS.

(a) **SENSE OF CONGRESS.**—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) all forms of hatred against all people and the rise in violence in the wake of COVID-19 be condemned; and

(2) physical and verbal attacks against Asian American and Pacific Islander persons, such as those resulting in the killing an 84-year old Thai immigrant in San Francisco, California, the setting on fire of an 89-year old Chinese woman in Brooklyn, New York, and the slashing of a 61-year old Filipino American's face with a box cutter while in the New York Subway, are reprehensible, contrary to American values as well as the sanctity of human life, and must be stopped.

(b) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section—

(1) the term “COVID-19 relief benefits”—

(A) means any benefit from the Federal Government relating to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

(B) includes any grant, funds, loan, loan guarantee, bankruptcy relief, mortgage, rent, or eviction relief, or other benefit received under the American Rescue Plan (Public Law 117-2), the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116-260), the Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act (Public Law 116-139; 134 Stat. 620), the CARES Act (Public Law 116-136; 134 Stat. 281), the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (Public Law 116-127; 134 Stat. 178), the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2020 (Public Law 116-123; 134 Stat. 146), or an amendment made by any such Act; and

(2) the term “crime of violence” has the meaning given that term in section 16 of title 18, United States Code.

(c) **REPORT.**—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Attorney General shall submit to Congress a report that studies—

(1) crimes of violence motivated by the actual or perceived relationship of any individual to the spread of COVID-19 for any reason, including appearance, mask wearing, or vaccination status; and

(2) the extent to which businesses that received COVID-19 relief benefits discriminated against individuals who are perceived to have spread COVID-19, which shall specifically detail the extent to which businesses that received COVID-19 relief benefits, or agents thereof, denied goods, services, or

travel, or committed a crime of violence, because of the actual or perceived relationship of any individual to the spread of COVID-19 for any reason, including appearance, mask wearing, or vaccination status.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I have 10 requests for committees to meet during today's session of the Senate. They have the approval of the Majority and Minority leaders.

Pursuant to rule XXVI, paragraph 5(a), of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the following committees are authorized to meet during today's session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 14, 2021, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

The Committee on Environment and Public Works is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 14, 2021, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 14, 2021, at 9:45 a.m., to conduct a hearing on nominations.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 14, 2021, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing on nominations.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Indian Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 14, 2021, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 14, 2021, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing on nominations.

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 14, 2021, at 3 p.m., to conduct a hearing on a nomination.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 14, 2021, at 10 a.m., to conduct an open hearing.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 14, 2021, at 1 p.m., to conduct an open hearing.